

Statement-II*Accidents in Singareni Collieries Company Limited***Fatal accidents** (as on 6.8.97)

Reason	1994		1995		1996		1997	
	A	F	A	F	A	F	A	F
Roof fall	12	23	8	11	7	7	8	8
Side fall	4	5	-	-	2	2	5	5
Rope haulage	9	9	2	2	5	5	3	3
Machinery	2	2	1	1	5	5	1	1
Explosives	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-
Electricity	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Fall of Person	2	2	1	1	1	1	2	2
Fall of object	3	3	-	-	3	3	1	1
Fall of coal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other causes	4	4	5	5	4	5	2	2
Total	38	50	18	21	28	29	23	23

Serious Accidents (As on 5.8.97)

Reason	1994		1995		1996		1997	
	A	I	A	I	A	I	A	I
Roof fall	22	27	25	26	11	14	5	5
Side fall	19	20	5	6	16	16	4	4
Rope haulage	58	58	49	49	38	38	20	20
Machinery	4	5	3	3	1	1	-	-
Explosives	3	4	1	1	4	4	2	2
Electricity	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fall of Person	75	75	53	53	34	34	23	23
Fall of object	34	34	21	21	17	17	8	8
Fall of coal	8	8	9	9	4	4	-	-
Extremity caught	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Air-blast	-	-	1	13	-	-	-	-
Other causes	19	19	10	10	19	19	7	7
Total	246	254	177	191	144	147	69	69

A = Accidents

F = Fatalities

I = Seriously injured

Shortage of Coins

2663. SHRIMATI LAKSHMI PANABAKA:

DR. T. SUBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a shortage of Rs. 2, Re. 1 and 50 paise coins in Andhra Pradesh particularly in the twin cities of Hyderabad;

(b) if so, whether the RBI has pointed out that there is a limited stock of coins available with it and that is the main reason for shortage;

(c) whether it has been reported that the brokers have taken advantage of it; and

(d) if so, the steps the Government propose to take to make available the coins and also check the malpractices by the traders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) to (d) There is a temporary shortage of coins of Rs. 2, Re. 1 and 50 paise in the country. The Government Mints are being modernised to increase the supply of coins to the public. As a short term measure, Government has decided to import 700 million pieces of Re. 1 and 300 million pieces of Rs. 2 coins.

The Reserve Bank of India has taken the following steps to guard against blackmarketing of coins:

(i) Security Officers restrict entry into the banking halls to about 50-60 persons at a time and ensure that they leave as soon as their work is over.

(ii) General public requiring small quantities are given preference during the first two hours i.e. from 10 A.M. to 12 noon.

(iii) Arrangements have been made to distribute coins from selected branches of public sector banks located in various parts of the country.

[Translation]

Coal Scam

2664. SHRI LALIT ORAON: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn towards the news-item which appeared in a Hindi daily "Ranchi Express" dated May 30, 1997 under caption, "Jalawan Koyala mein croron ka ghotala";

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein; and

- (c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) to (c) The news-item appearing in the Hindi daily 'Ranchi Express' dated May 30, 1997 alleged irregular allocation of soft coke by the office of the Coal Controller in February, 1995. Coal India Limited has been asked to conduct a thorough investigation to bring out the facts of the case.

[English]

Target of Loan for Tribal Areas of Rajasthan under PMRY

2665. SHRI BHERU LAL MEENA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any target has been fixed for providing loan to the youths belonging to scheduled tribes areas under 'Prime Minister Rozgar Yojana' for self Employment;

(b) if so, the number of scheduled tribe and other backward class youths in the State to whom the loan has been provided during each of the last three years;

(c) whether the progress was monitored after providing loan;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the number of youths to whom the loan under PMRY was provided during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) Prime Minister Rozgar Yojana envisages 22.5% reservations for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes combined. The State/UT Govts. allocates district-wise targets out of the target allocated to it by the Central Government.

(b) Statement-I giving number of Scheduled Tribes and other backward classes youths sanctioned and disbursed loans during 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1996-97 in Rajasthan is attached.

(c) and (d) The progress of the scheme is monitored at the District Level by District PMRY Committee, at the State Level by the State PMRY Committee and at the Central Level by the High powered Committee. An evaluation of the scheme is under progress. Surveys have also been conducted by the Reserve Bank of India.

(e) Statement-II giving number of youths sanctioned and disbursed loan under Prime Minister Rozgar Yojana during 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1996-97 in Rajasthan and as on All-India level is attached.

Statement-I

Number of Scheduled Tribes and other backward Classes Youths sanctioned and disbursed loan in Rajasthan during 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1996-97 under Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana as reported by the State Government

Year	Scheduled tribes		Other Backward Classes	
	Sanctioned loans (Nos.)	Disbursed loans (Nos.)	Sanctioned loans (Nos.)	Disbursed loans (Nos.)
1994-95	276	66	1686	412
1995-96	418	231	2250	1258
1996-97	465	182	2238	945

Statement-II

Number of Youths sanctioned and disbursed loan in Rajasthan and in All India during 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1996-97 under Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana as reported by States/UTs

	1994-95		1995-96		1996-97	
	Sanct- ioned loan (Nos.)	Disbur- sed loan (Nos.)	Sanct- ioned loan (Nos.)	Disbur- sed loan (Nos.)	Sanct- ioned loan (Nos.)	Disbur- sed loan (Nos.)
Rajasthan	7666	5152	10273	6796	10632	5455*
All India	198221	142144	299333	214748	288710	163397*

*Disbursements for the year 1996-97 are still continuing.

Branches of I.T.P.O.

2666. SHRI SIBU SOREN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Trade Promotion Organisation is going to establish its branches in all the State Capitals and in several foreign countries as well;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of staff employed at I.T.P.O., category-wise, branch-wise;

(d) whether a number of cases of promotion of SC/ST staff of I.T.P.O. are pending for more than five years; and

(e) if so, details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (DR. BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH): (a) Except its already existing 5 Overseas Offices and 6 Regional